



Anatomy of a Rapid Response Team Call

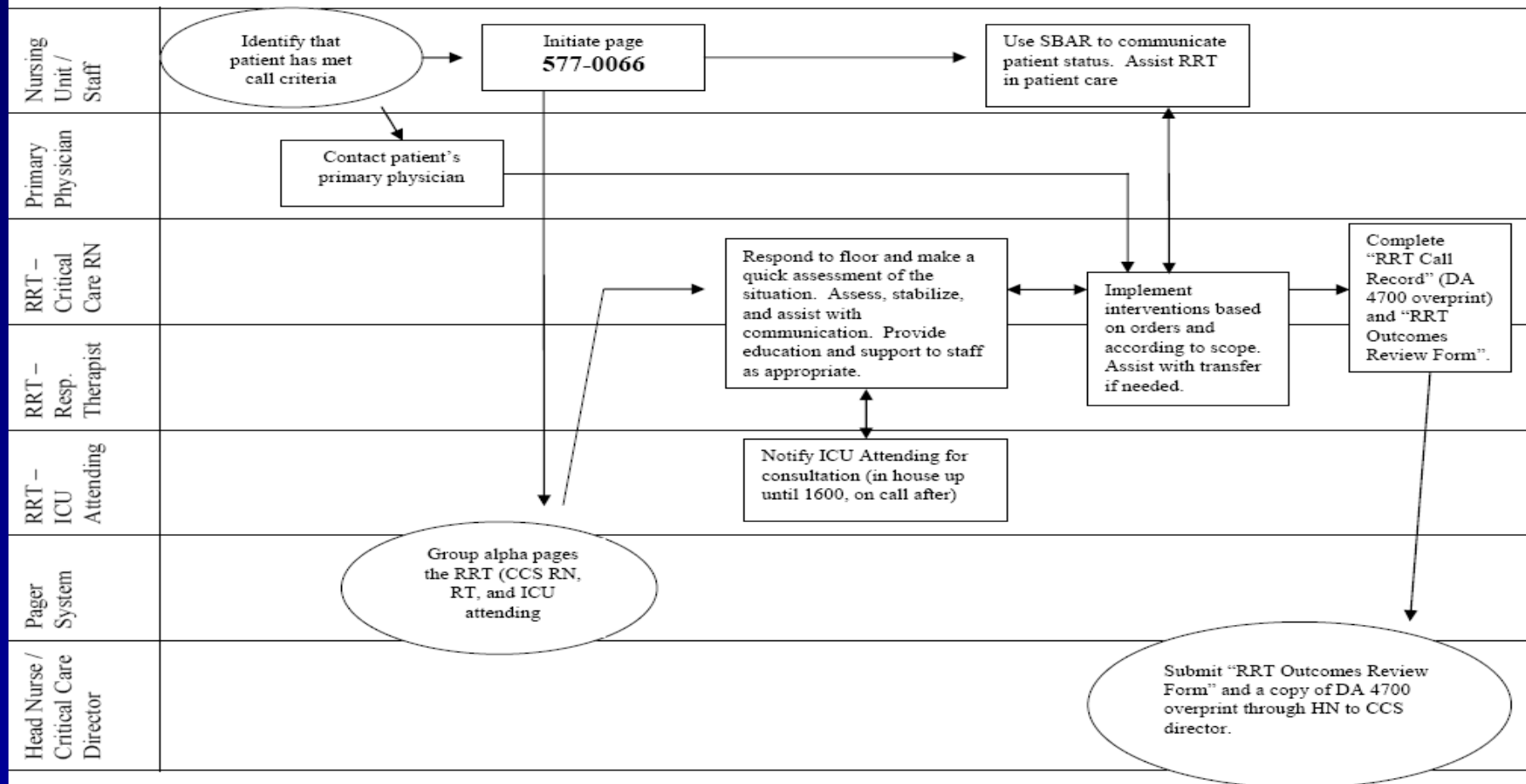
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Rapid Response Team



Call Algorithm





Patient Meets RRT Criteria

- Identification: Role of Nursing or Unit Staff
- Example: RRT activated regarding 20 year old female 3 days postpartum who was tachycardic, with heart rate 150 beats per minute
- Criteria: Staff Concern and Heart Rate criteria
- HR < 40 or > 130
- Initiate page: Call or text pages the RRT (CCS RN, RT, and ICU attending) – Group pagers
- Contact primary MD: In example case, primary MD already at bedside



RRT Responds to Floor

- Unit nurse: Uses SBAR to communicate patient status to RRT RN and RT
- Assessment of patient
- Complete interventions: Based on standing orders to stabilize patient
- Provide education: To staff as appropriate
- Notify ICU Attending of patient status
- Assist with transfer to higher level of care if necessary



RRT Call Documentation

- Nurse Responder Completes “RRT Call Record”
- Nurse Responder Completes “RRT Outcomes Review Form”
 - Identify education issues
 - Identify communication issues
 - Identify any other issues and provide suggestions
- Nurse Responder/Bed Manager Discusses 24 hour calls at AM bed meeting to RRT leadership for process improvement